

LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL
2/15/2018
Mayor Freddie Snyder

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the regular February session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. Invocation was given by Pastor John Fitzgerald and Police Chief Shane Nolley led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members

Mr. John Michael

Ms. Shawn C. Priest

Mr. Chris Runyon

Mr. Morgan Sheppard

Mr. Richard Tolle

Mr. Scott Willey

Also Present:

Police Chief Shane Nolley

Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans

Solicitor Fred Beery

Also attending: Roger Grimsley, Robert Barrett Jr., Teresa Smith and Alice Teeters (arrived late)

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. Morgan Sheppard moved and Richard Tolle seconded to approve the minutes for the January 18, 2018 council meeting. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

b. Council reviewed the bills paid in January 2018. Shawn Priest moved and John Michael seconded the bills be approved. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

II. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Roger Grimsley – informed Council he had a leak of 94,000 gallons and would like to have an adjustment on his bill. Utility Clerk Teresa Smith explained she adjusted Mr. Grassley’s bill as outlined in Ordinance Number 10-7 for extraordinary leaks. Mrs. Smith informed Council the original bill was \$689.70, she adjusted \$312.40 from the water as outlined in Ordinance 10-7 which made Mr. Grimsley’s total \$377.30. Mr. Grimsley thanked council for the adjustment.

Teresa Smith – just observing.

Alice Teeters – updated Council on the progress of the Old Depot. Stated she has encountered many roadblocks. Ms. Teeters has contacted the Ohio Historical Society and they do not restore buildings that have been moved. (Which that is the only way we can acquire the Depot is if it is moved). Ms. Teeters then called Cliff Rosenberger’s office and they told her they meet once a year for items such as this and if she could get a letter to them requesting help before their meeting, they would possibly consider helping with the restoration. Rosenberger’s office asked what it would cost to make the Depot useable again and she stated she told them between \$75,000 and \$100,000. Ms. Teeters is to submit this price along with the engineering report and pic of the Depot. Rosenberger’s office will then forward this information along to the Capital Preservations Budget Committee and she could hear something by the end of the month. Mayor Snyder stated he has tried several times to contact the railroad with no results. The Mayor stated he would continue to try to get in contact with Carol Bowers from CSX.

III. LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-03

TO RADIFY AND AMEND THE VILLAGE INCOME TAX CODE TO ADOPT SECTIONS 718.80 THROUGH 718.95 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, TO CODIFY NEW VILLAGE CODE SECTIONS AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

Shawn Priest moved and Richard Tolle seconded to suspend the three reading rule on Ordinance No. 18-03. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Chris Runyon moved and Shawn Priest seconded to approve Ordinance No. 18-03. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-04

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2018 EDITION, AS THE CODE ORDINANCES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF LEESBURG, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Chris Runyon moved and Morgan Sheppard seconded to approve Ordinance No. 18-04. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Officer Nolley requested a meeting with the Personnel Committee. Meeting was set for Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

Councilman Chris Runyon suggested all the new Council Committees meet once a month. Mayor Snyder told them all Council chairs are responsible to schedule their own meetings and request if they need Village Officials to attend.

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- Passed around monthly reports for Council to sign.
- Informed Council Charles & Associated prepared the Village's Hinkle notes for the 2017-year end, and passed a copy around for all of Council to review.

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported that for the month of January 2018, there were 437 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-140 regular, 20 overtime; Officer Stephens-140 regular, 20 overtime; Officer Brady-90 regular, 12 overtime; Officer Michael-90 regular, 21.5 overtime and Officer Cottrell-119 regular, 22.5 overtime. There were 2 Traffic Crash Reports, and 20 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 3, Traffic Citations -2, and Warning Citations - 9. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 – 2017 Police Interceptor – 1,280 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2005 Ford Explorer – 513 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 815 miles driven. Repairs: \$45.90 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- The Police Department has 92 active case reports. The departments total reports received for the month of January 2018 were 20, an increase of 13 reports from January 2017.

Report of Income Tax Administrator Dorothy Vance:

- Mayor Snyder reported for Mrs. Vance that \$81,060.53 was collected for the month of January 2018.

Report of Mayor Freddie Snyder:

- Mayor Snyder called Community Action regarding the property of George Phillips. Currently, there are no grants available to help with the demolition, but possibly this spring.
- Mayor Snyder spoke with County Commissioner Shane Wilkin regarding zoning in the Village. Mayor Snyder stated we would need to discuss zoning if we want to get something big at the Industrial Park.
- Highland County Recycling Center requested to place individual bins at each residents home for recycling.
- The Flow meter at Margie Apartments is not working and we may need to replace it.
- Generator at Swifts Lift Station is in need of repair.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- Brokaw Building – Council decided to have Solicitor Beery proceed with filing the property as a public nuisance.
- Depot – See Alice Teeters comments under the Visitor’s Section.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- With the new reporting the Administrators are required to do, Council decided not to include their report with the minutes because of being several pages long.
- Shawn Priest moved and Scott Willey seconded to adjourn at 8:52 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Meeting adjourned.